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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : STAN SCHALL, JR.

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Group Art Unit: 3764

For : EXERCISE APPARATUS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

Line 3, delete "100".

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, lines 10-11, replace the blank line and "**based on final description and claim content**" with

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An exercise device including an upper platform having a handle extending therefrom, the handle having a short upright portion, a tall upright portion, and a gripping area connecting the short upright portion and the tall upright portion, the gripping area generally is tapered from the short upright portion to the tall upright portion such that a diameter of the gripping area adjacent to the short upright portion is greater than a diameter of the gripping area adjacent to the tall upright portion, the gripping area is